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(Incorporated under the Companies Acts 1862 to 1883.)

CAPITAL £2,000,000

IN 200,000 SHARES OF £10 EACH.

REGISTERED OFFICE, 40 Threadneedle Street, LONDON.

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LONDON BANKERS: THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LIMITED.

THE BANK OF SCOTLAND, EDINBURGH, LONDON & BRANCHES.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.

6 " 4 1/2 "

12 " 5 % "

On Current Deposit Accounts 2 per cent.

per annum on the daily balance.

Credits granted, Remittances, Exchanges, Letters, and every description of Banking Business transacted.

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED.

H. A. BERBERT,  
Manager.

Hongkong, March 25, 1885. 522

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1884.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

Chairman—Hon. F. T. SANSON.

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Manager.

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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

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LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1885. 347

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.

3.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,000 in any one year.

4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositor's own account.

5.—Persons in pursuit of savings less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented will be credited one dollar.

6.—Depositors in this Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

7.—Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values.

8.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to deposits on their daily balances.

9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and during July.

10.—One containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

11.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

12.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 715

NOW READY.

PRICE, \$1.00.

COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW.

B. E. H. PARKER.

Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH, at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the CHINA MAIL Office.

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D. K. GRIFFITH & Co.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE LONDON

STERILIZED WATERS,

Have REMOVED from the BEACONFIELD

ARCADE, to larger Premises

1, DUDDELL STREET,

Where they continue to Supply:

SODA WATER, LEMONADE,

TONIC " GINGERALE,

SETZLER " KERSEYADE,

SARAPARILLA " &c., &c., &c.

At the same Moderate Charges.

D. K. GRIFFITH,

Proprietor.

Hongkong, July 28, 1884. 1246

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For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR NEW SUPPLY

OF

CALCUTTA PITH

Helmets and Sun Hats.

THIS SEASON'S PARCEL

contains

A LARGE VARIETY OF NEW SHAPES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, March 21, 1885.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have been instructed by the COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF OWNERSHIP, China, to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 31st day of March, 1885, at 11 a.m., at Her Majesty's Ordnance Stores, Queen's Road East,

THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT STORES:

LEATHER POUCHES, &c., BLANKETS, BLOCKS, EMPTY CEMENT BARRELS, CANVAS, CORDAGE, HIPS, SERGE, CAST AND WROUGHT IRON, LEATHER, COTTON, LINEN and WOOLLEN ARTICLES, STEEL, TIN, TACKLES, OLD FILES, CASES, PACKING CASES, BUNTING, IRON DRUMS, UMBRELLAS, BED MATS, VALISES, WATERPROOF COATS and SHEETS, WHEELS,

&c., &c., &c.

THE FOLLOWING

ARTICLES OF CLOTHING, viz.:—

GREAT COATS, WATCH COATS, CAPS, SERGE and TWED FROCKS, CLOTH TUNICS, SERGE and CLOTH TROUSERS, BOOTS (ANKLE),

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All faults and errors of description at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. All Lots to be cleared within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, March 21, 1885. 530

日二十月二年酉乙

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

Shipping.

Steamers.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENSIN VIA SWATOW.

The Co.'s Steamship KIUNGSENG, Captain Woon, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWS & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 26, 1885. 527

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOT & FOOCHOW (SHARP PEAK).

The Co.'s Steamship Douglas, Captain Young, will be despatched for the above

Ports on TUESDAY, the 31st Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 26, 1885. 529

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship Priam, Captain Butler, will be

despatched as above on the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 26, 1885. 525

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIODO.

The Steamship Glamorgan, Captain Williams, Commdr., will be

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# THE CHINA MAIL.

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## For Sale.

**MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.**  
MOVE INTO THEIR NEW  
PREMISES  
**QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,**  
on  
**1st APRIL NEXT,**

WHEN they propose selling STORES  
and other RETAIL ARTICLES at  
the lowest possible prices

**FOR CASH,**

and giving the benefits of the Co-operative  
Store system to the Public without the  
necessity of Membership. Detailed Prices  
will be furnished on application.

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**CROUSE & BLACKWELL'S**

**OIL MAN'S STORES.**

**JOHN MOIR & SONS, LIMITED,**

**OIL MAN'S STORES.**

**J. T. MORTON'S**

**OIL MAN'S STORES.**

**MACONACHE BROTHERS'**

**Lacewof**

**OIL MAN'S STORES.**

**AMERICAN**

**OILMAN'S STORES.**

**WINES, &c.**

**CHATEAU MARGAUX.**

**CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts**

**1200 GRAVES, " "**

**BREAKFAST CLARET, " "**

**SACCOVÉ MANZANILLA & AMON-**

**TILLADO.**

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**JANESON'S IRISH WHISKY.**

**MARSALA.**

**EASTERN AMERICAN CIDER.**

**CHARTRREUSE.**

**MARASCHINO.**

**CURACAO.**

**&c., &c., &c.**

**BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.**

**GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J. HENKES, pints and quarts.**

**DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, b, the gallon.**

**ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.**

**Agents for:**

**Messrs. W. & A. GILBERT'S**

**WINES AND SPIRITS.**

**MINEWS'**

**PATENT FIRE-PROOF SAFES.**

**Messrs. TURNBULL, JUN, and SORRELL'S**

**MALTESE CIGARETTES.**

**Hongkong, March 12, 1885.**

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**FOR SALE.**

**COURSE, DISTANCE,**

**AND AVERAGE SPEED TABLES,**

**FROM**

**LONDON, via THE SUZ CANAL,**

**TO**

**INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN, &c.,**

**WITH**

**VARIOUS OTHER TABLES AND NOTES,**

**BY**

**W. A. GULLAND.**

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**"CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.**

**Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**

**"FALCONER & Co."**

**Hongkong, September 2, 1884.**

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**THE REPORT OF THE TRIAL OF**

**LOGAN AT CANTON that appeared in**

**the China Mail has been printed in PAM-**

**PHLET FORM, and is now on Sale.**

**Price, 30 Cents.**

**Hongkong, October 3, 1883.**

**To-day's Advertisements.**

**NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM-**

**NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND**

**SOURABAYA, VIA SAIGON**

**AND SINGAPORE.**

**The Co.'s Steamship**

**Croner,**

**Captain Gulland, will be**

**despatched an above on**

**MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at 3 p.m.**

**For Freight or Passage, apply to**

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**

**Agents.**

**Hongkong, March 28, 1885.**

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**FOR SHANGHAI.**

**(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates**

**for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENSIN,**

**NEWCHWANG, HANKOW and**

**Ports on the YANGTSE.)**

**The Steamship**

**Metropole,**

**Captain Gulland, will be**

**despatched for the above**

**Portion WEDNESDAY, the 1st April next,**

**at 2 p.m.**

**For Freight or Passage, apply to**

**RUSSELL & Co.**

**Hongkong, March 28, 1885.**

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**UNION LINE.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

**FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.**

**THE Steamship Galley of Lorne, Captain**

**POMROY, having arrived from the**

**above Ports, Contractors of Cargo to be**

**forwarded to send in their Bills of Lading to**

**the Underwriters for countersignature, and to**

**take immediate delivery of their Goods**

**from alongside.**

**Cargo impeding the discharge of the**

**Steamer will be at once landed and stored at**

**Consignee's risk and expense, and no**

**Fire Insurance will be effected.**

**Optional cargo will be forwarded on to**

**JAPAN, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY.**

**All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriters on or before the 6th April next, or they will not be re-**

**cognized.**

**RUSSELL & Co.,**

**Agents.**

**Hongkong, March 28, 1885.**

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**SugarDebanture, 1880.....**

## SHIPPING.

### ARRIVALS.

March 27, 1885:—

**Amoy, British steamer, from Whampoa.**

March 28:—

**Galleys of Lorne, British steamer, 1,380,**

**Pomroy, London February 17, and Singa-**

**pore March 21, 200 tons Gunpowder and**

**General & Co.**

**Lydia, German steamer, 1,160, Vess,**

**Yokohama, Japan, March 23, General—**

**SIEMENS & Co.**

**Chisan, British steamer, 2,657, Wyatt,**

**Singapore March 26, Mails and General—**

**P. & O. S. N. Co.**

**DEPARTURES.**

March 28:—

**Alcine, for I-on.**

**Signal, for Holloway.**

**CLEARED.**

**Tesker, for Amoy.**

**Amoy, for Shanghai.**

**Nam-pan, for Haiphong.**

**Decisive, for Yachow.**

**Lydia, for Singapore.**

**Pembroke, for Saigon.**

**Albion, for Singapore.**

**Glory, for Amoy.**

**PASSAGERS.**

**ARRIVED.**

**Per Galley of Lorne, from Singapore, 29-**

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**Hongkong, March 28, 1885.**

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**FOR SHANGHAI.**

**Taking cargo & passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENSIN, NEWCHIANG, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.**

**The Steamship Meffoo.**

**Captain Lun, will be despatched for the above on WEDNESDAY, the 1st April next, at 4 p.m.**

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**Hongkong, March 28, 1885.**

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**General—Russell & Co.**

**March 29:**

**Lydia, German steamer, 1,164. Voss,**

**Yokohama, (Japan), March 23, General—**

**Skrusen & Co.**

**March 30:**

**Alwina, for Iton Signal, for Hoihow.**

**March 31:**

**CELEALED.**

**Teucer, for Amoy.**

**Nan-tze, for Haiphong.**

**Devonshire, for Yokohama.**

**Lydia, for Singapore.**

**Kwang Lee, for Saigon.**

**Pembroke, for Saigon.**

**Albany, for Singapore.**

**Glenorchy, for Amoy.**

**April 1:**

**Passengers.**

**ARRIVED.**

**Per Galley of Lorne, from Singapore, 29**

**Chinese.**

**Per Teucer, from Shanghai.**

**Nan-tze, for Haiphong.**

**Devonshire, for Yokohama.**

**Lydia, for Singapore.**

**Pembroke, for Saigon.**

**Albany, for Singapore.**

**Glenorchy, for Amoy.**

**Per Signal, for Hoihow.**

**DEPARTURES.**

**March 28:**

**Alwina, for Iton Signal, for Hoihow.**

**March 29:**

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**Nan-tze, for Haiphong.**

**Devonshire, for Yokohama.**

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**Pembroke, for Saigon.**

**Albany, for Singapore.**

**Glenorchy, for Amoy.**

**Per Douglas, for Hoihow.**

**April 1:**

**SHIPPING.**

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**Chinese.**

**Per Teucer, from Shanghai.**

**Nan-tze, for Haiphong.**

**Devonshire, for Yokohama.**

**Lydia, for Singapore.**

**Pembroke, for Saigon.**

**Albany, for Singapore.**

**Glenorchy, for Amoy.**

**Per Signal, for Hoihow.**

**April 2:**

**CELEALED.**

**Teucer, for Amoy.**

**Nan-tze, for Haiphong.**

**Devonshire, for Yokohama.**

**Lydia, for Singapore.**

**Pembroke, for Saigon.**

**Albany, for Singapore.**

**Glenorchy, for Amoy.**

**Per Douglas, for Hoihow.**

**April 3:**

**CELEALED.**

**Teucer, for Amoy.**

## THE CHINA MAIL.

ACCORDING to the *Straits Times* it took two powerful tugs to get the *Aigamemnon* through the Suez Canal and cost the Government £1,200 for towing alone. She dragged the bottom of the Canal several times; in fact, as one of the officers expressed it, she was fairly dragged through the Canal. The only incident which occurred on the voyage was on leaving Aden, when an Egyptian steamer tried to pass between her and the gunboat *Paluma*. She very nearly ran into the *Aigamemnon* and was within an inch of being crushed between the two war vessels. If the *Paluma* had touched her she would have gone to the bottom with all hands.

The remarks made by the Hon. W. Keenwick, from his place as Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, in reference to the decease of Sir Harry Parkes, were worthy of the occasion, of the Chamber, and of the speaker. There was a comprehensiveness and a delicacy of touch about the short address which could not fail to strike those who heard it or those who subsequently read it in the report of the proceedings. If the letter to be forwarded to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs contains the terms in which the Chairman proposed the address of condolence, the document will be one worthy of the mercantile community of Hongkong.

In his speech at the Chamber of Commerce meeting yesterday, Mr. J. J. Francis said:—  
"If merchants are simply frightened from carrying on their legitimate trade from any part of the Coast by a declaration of a blockade, it is their own fault. If they believe it to be a paper blockade, let them try it, and fight the question out before a prize court, and afterwards between the Government. This looks like sage advice, and it is somewhat similar to a suggestion made in these columns some two months ago. But a little consideration of the attitude assumed by the British Government, and of the apparently settled determination on the part of the local Government to do nothing, will materially alter the character of the advice given. We have been informed by an authority who seems to express the views of the local Government that all questions such as that here raised would have to be referred to H. M.'s Superintendent of Trade at Peking; and, in view of this avowed tendency to shift responsibility from one shoulder to another, it is not surprising that merchants have fought shy of calling in the aid of a Government which thus seeks to evade its responsibilities. 'Not a finger raised by those who are responsible for our interests,' explains the reluctance of merchants to fight it out."

## SERVICES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FOR TO-MORROW.—SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER.

*Cathedral*,—  
8 a.m.—Parade Service, Morning Prayer and Sermon, Rev. O. Cheshunt.  
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion, the Colonial Chaplain.  
3.30 p.m.—Children's Service, the Colonial Chaplain.  
5.45 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, the Colonial Chaplain; Preacher Rev. F. A. J. Gage, R.N.  
*St. Peter's Church*,—  
5 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, the Bishop.  
*Garrison Theatre*,—  
7.30 p.m.—"Soldier" voluntary service, Rev. O. Cheshunt.  
*St. Stephen's Church* (all Services in Chinese)—  
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer, &c., Rev. J. B. Ost and Fong Yat-Sau, confirmation by the Bishop.  
6.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon, Rev. J. B. Ost and Fong Yat-Sau.

*The S. S. Ping Yu* came out of the Amoy Dock on the 20th instant.

Ker, Tsin, the new Taofu appointed to Amoy, arrived at that port from Foochow on the 20th instant.

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Defendants, who all denied the charge, were fined \$1 each.

## (Before H. E. Wedderburn, Esq.)

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## THE ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO BRING A CHAOS OF MURDER.

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Mr. A. B. Johnson, Crown Solicitor, again appeared for the prosecution.

Inspector Quincey, examined by Mr. Johnson, gave evidence to the effect that he first saw the prisoner Chun Ahing on the 8th February. He was then in the street hawking sugar, etc. He questioned the prisoner and obtained from him the statement that he was stationed at the corner of Lyndhurst Terrace on the evening of the 6th Feb., and saw three men enter the Indian's shop and seize the Indian by the throat. From the description given by the first prisoner of the man who first entered the Indian's shop, he believed it to be a man named Mok Apin. Witness had been sent to arrest this man. While on the way to Station Street he met Mok Apin, who, immediately he saw witness, ran away. He: Mok Apin was followed by a man named Achik. Achik had not been sent with witness to find Mok Apin, nor was he with him when witness saw Mok Apin in the street. So far as witness knew it was merely a coincidence Achik stopping Mok Apin. Witness and Sergt. Butlin had been out for an hour when they found Mok Apin. Witness had arrested because he believed him to be the man described by Chun Ahing. He was a bad character who had several times committed robberies from the persons of Europeans. He was a hawker and spoke Chin-Chew. On the morning of the 11th Feb., witness sent for Chun Ahing, who, he had learned, lived at No. 13 Market Street. When he came witness told him that he had arrested a man, Mok Apin, and that he wanted him to see if he could identify him. Witness told Chun Ahing that the charge against Mok Apin was a serious one and that he, Chun Ahing would have to repeat his evidence before the Captain Superintendent. This occurred at about 9.15 a.m., in witness' quarters in the tower at the Central Station, and at 9.30 witness took Chun Ahing before the Captain Superintendent, to whom he repeated his story. As far as witness knew it was entirely through his meeting Chun Ahing and questioning him that he had given evidence in the case. So far as he knew Achik had nothing to do with Chun Ahing giving evidence.

With regard to the second prisoner, Chun Ahing, the first witness had seen him on the 7th March when he was brought to the Central Station, a man named Aping came to witness' quarters on the 6th March and told him that there was a man at Yam-nati who, he believed, was captured in the winter at Lyndhurst Terrace. Witness had a case of lacey of 81500 before Mr. Wedderburn at 2.30 p.m. that day, and asked Sergt. Butlin if he was not engaged to go across with Aping and arrest the man at Yam-nati.

The evidence of Inspector Quincey was given directly in answer to questions put by Mr. Johnson, and his Worship twice appealed to Mr. Johnson to allow the witness to give his evidence concisely, as the questions put by Mr. Johnson were more of the nature of a cross-examination. Mr. Johnson repudiated any desire to cross-examine the witness but continued the examination in the same manner.

Chun Ahing, the first prisoner, then made a long and rambling statement to the effect that he was hawking vegetables when Achik and Aping called him to go and see Inspector Quincey. He went with them and when they got to the Inspector's quarters he was having his dinner. While they waited below Aping and Achik told him that he was to tell about hawking sugar cane and seeing the three men enter the Indian's shop. When he saw the Inspector he taught him what to say. The following morning he went hawking again but Achik and Aping called him to go and see Inspector Quincey. He went with them and when they got to the Inspector's quarters he was having his dinner. While they waited below Aping and Achik told him that he was to tell about hawking sugar cane and seeing the three men enter the Indian's shop. When he saw the Inspector he taught him what to say. The following morning he went hawking again but Achik and Aping called him to go and see Inspector Quincey. 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